

Juvenile Accountability Incentive Block Grant Program (JAIBG) Program Purpose Areas

Program funds must be spent within the eight (8) authorized Program Purpose Areas. There are minimum distribution percentages, based on federal guidelines for the JAIBG Program. These minimum distribution percentages are required unless it is shown that the interests of public safety and juvenile crime control would be better served by expending the funds in a proportion other than the 45% and 35% minimums.

Reasons to justify different proportions might include: 1.) alternative funding sources available for these areas, 2.) recipient does not have jurisdiction in these areas, 3.) existing structures and/or initiatives meet the need of the purpose areas(s), or 4.) the awarded funds are too small to make an impact if divided. In order to receive a waiver of the 45% - 35% Distribution Requirement, an applicant must complete a Waiver Form (included in the JAIBG Application) and provide written justification for the waiver.

A minimum of 45% of program funds to be spent on the following Program Purpose Areas:

- A Addressing juvenile crime more effectively and efficiently, by increasing the accountability of juvenile offenders and reducing recidivism among juvenile offenders.
- B Addressing juvenile crime more effectively and efficiently by establishing juvenile drug court programs or similar court programs for juvenile offenders.

A minimum of 35% of program funds to be spent on the following Program Purpose Areas:

- C Providing alternatives to secure detention.
- D Enhancing the identification, control, supervision, and treatment of juveniles who repeatedly commit serious delinquent or criminal acts by promoting interagency information-sharing programs.
- E Enhancing the juvenile correctional system through training of juvenile correctional personnel and improvements to correctional facilities.*
- F Enhancing the control, supervision, and treatment of juvenile offenders who repeatedly commit serious delinquent or criminal acts through aftercare programs.

The balance of program funds can be spent on any of the areas, including:

- G Building upon existing accountability-based programs to protect students and school personnel from drug, gang, and youth violence.
- H Implementing a policy of controlled substance testing for appropriate categories of juvenile offenders within the juvenile justice system.

A maximum of 10% of program funds are eligible for administrative costs and can be used to reimburse local JCEC's for plan development.

*Any funds used to construct permanent correctional facilities require a 50% cash match.